

OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Diaper Need, the condition of not having a sufficient supply of clean diapers to ensure that infants and toddlers are clean, healthy and dry, can adversely affect the health and welfare of infants, toddlers and their families; and

WHEREAS, national surveys report that one in three mothers experience diaper need at some time while their children are less than three years of age, and forty-eight percent of families delay changing a diaper to extend their supply; and

WHEREAS, the average infant or toddler requires an average of 50 diaper changes per week over three years; and

WHEREAS, there are no government assistance programs for the purchase or provision of diapers, and a sufficient supply of diapers can cost as much as six percent of a full-time minimum wage worker's salary, often causing economic hardship for families obtaining a sufficient supply; and

WHEREAS, families in Brown County have difficult choices to make and having access to clean diapers should not be one of those difficult decisions; and

WHEREAS, Brown County United Way helps at-risk babies in our community by holding an annual Diaper Drive from now through September 30; and

WHEREAS, Brown County is proud to be home to various community organizations that recognize the importance of diapers in helping provide economic stability for families and distribute diapers to poor families through various channels.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Troy J. Streckenbach, Brown County Executive, do hereby proclaim the week of September 24 through September 30, 2018 as

DIAPER NEED AWARENESS WEEK

In Brown County and encourage residents to donate generously to diaper banks, diaper drives, and those organizations that distribute diapers to families in need to help alleviate diaper need.

Dated this 21st day of September, 2018.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Troy Streckenbach', written over a horizontal line.

Troy Streckenbach
Brown County Executive